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Subject DRAFT - End of Stage ! Report

ACT,

Attached is a preliminary draft of the Stage 1 report. We'd like to thank you for your help so far and intend to continue working with the agencies to further refine the report. A future draft will be distributed to BDPAC and the Authority in early June. Before that draft is prepared, the attachment will be revised and the revision sent out for a second agency review. Accordingly, we are asking for your further suggestions and comments on the attachment by Tuesday, May 15, 2007. Please use track changes and send the material to rickb@calwater.ca.gov. We'll make revisions and get it back out to you for another look before a draft goes to BDPAC and Authority. About the document. It is a work in progress. The report sets out our preliminary findings about the Program's progress during its first 7 years (Stage 1) and the likelihood of future progress and the proposed direction for Stage 2 of the CALFED Program.

Inside, you'll find:

An executive summary that points out that the Program's Preferred Program Alternative will not be able to meet the objectives originally set for the Program.

A short introduction with an historical overview and a description of future physical, biological and cultural changes in the Delta (Drivers of Change);

Findings measuring progress of the preferred program alternative meeting each of the 4 Program's objectives and the likelihood of future progress;

Conclusions based on the findings; and

The proposed Stage 2 actions.

We have tried to keep the report as short as possible with the thought of using, as appropriate, appendices to provide additional detail. Right now there are no appendices provided.

If you are short on time, I'd suggest you focus on the Assessment section (Chapter 2) and the 4th chapter (Stage 2 Direction).

Chapter 2

I consider this to be the heart of the report. What has been done, is to identify evidence that leads to the conclusion that the preferred program alternative will not be able to achieve the program objectives. The evidence for such a conclusion revolves largely around the POD, levee vulnerability and the future changes expected in the Delta. I would like to know if you:

agree/disagree with our findings/conclusions; and

·have additional information/suggestions that would prove useful in making the findings/conclusions.

Chapter 4

As the CALFED program nears the end of Stage 1, establishing a direction for continuing program implementation into Stage 2 becomes essential. We have taken the first step towards identifying the type of activities that should be undertaken during Stage 2. We fully expect that the final plan for Stage 2 to incorporate the outcomes of other initiatives such as Delta Vision and BDCP. I would like to know if you:

agree/disagree with our suggested activities; and

have actions that should be added to the list.

Thanks again for all your help so far.

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